

ABSTRACT

A method for treating mouth ulcers (canker sores / aphthous ulcers) with oral patches to speed healing and relieve pain. If certain medications are applied to a mouth ulcer using an adhesive oral patch that delivers the medication for at least 30 minutes and the patches are used for at least two or more hours per day, the method reduces the healing times from typically 10 – 14 days to typically 2 days. The method can be used with various antimicrobials that speed the healing of canker sores, including penicillin and amoxicillin. The method can also be used with amlexanox and licorice (glycyrrhiza) extract which work by an unknown method. When used with licorice extract, the method also quickly reduces canker sore pain and, if used before commencing a meal, reduces pain during the meal. A dissolving patch with licorice extract is disclosed.